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Dasara elephants make grand entry into Palace

Mysuru District Minister S.T. Somashekar and others offering traditional welcome to Dasara jumbos at Mysore Palace this morning.

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (MTY&BCT)- The nine Dasara elephants led by 57-year-old mighty Abhimanyu, who will carry the 750-kg Golden Howdah, were accorded a traditional welcome into the Mysore Palace this morning.

The caparisoned elephants that arrived from their respective forest camps last Sunday and housed at Aranya Bhavan, majestically marched into the Palace to begin their Dasara journey.

Like last year, the elephant team marched from the Aranya Bhavan to the Palace but in 2020, they were brought to the Palace from Aranya Bhavan in trucks to avoid people gathering around them as a precaution owing to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Before they left Aranya Bhavan, a traditional puja was performed at the auspicious time between 7 am and 7.10 am by the Forest Department officers, staff and families, who reside in the vicinity. The elephants then began their march through Ashokapuram, Ballal Circle, Ramaswamy Circle, Chamaraja Double Road, Sanskrit Patashala and Gun House Circle to reach the Jayamarthanda Gate of the Palace at around 8.10 am.

At Jayamarthanda Gate, *Ganapathi Homa, Dwarapalaka Puja, Paadapuja, Sankalpa, Chamara Serve, Mutthaide Mangalarathi* and *Pushparchane* were performed and the grand entry was made at 9.20 am. The pujas were performed by Priest S.V. Prahallad Rao between 9.01 am and 9.35 am in the auspicious *Kanya Lagna*.

Inside the Palace, the jumbos received a rousing reception. The Police accorded a guard of honour to the jumbos that marched onto the premises. They were showered with flowers by District Minister S.T. Somashekar and others. The jumbo team was accompanied by various folk troupes such as Dollu Kunitha, Mangalavadya, Kamsale and Puja Kunitha.

(See ELEPHANTS on page 7)

CM to open new buildings in UoM campus

Actor Yash, musician Arjun Janya to attend Yuvajana Mahotsava tomorrow

Bommai

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (RK&SSM)- Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will arrive in Mysuru tomorrow (Aug. 11) and inaugurate the new buildings and other facilities constructed by University of Mysore (UoM) in Manasagangothri campus.

The CM's office has confirmed the visit and the tentative tour programme mentions the time as 11 am. After the Mysuru visit, Bommai is scheduled to visit Mandya for an event and return to Bengaluru.

(See CM on page 7)

Seating arrangements readied for Yuvajana Mahotsava at Maharaja's College Grounds in city tomorrow.

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-6 for Abracadabra titled ***"Prof. P.R. Mukund - Teacher of Vedic Sciences & Spirituality!"*** *—***Ed**

health NHuggets
DID YOU KNOW?
With recent surge in deadly dengue virus infection. Things to be taken care of ,Keep your surroundings clean and dry. Use a mosquito net and mosquito repellant to keep mosquito-borne diseases at bay. Wear long-sleeved clothes and empty garden pot-liners . And not to forget , continue to stick to mask etiquette and hand washing as there is also increase in COVID like viral pneumonia.
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Narayana Multispecialty Hospital, Devanur, Mysore

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 10th August 2022

Pratibha Puraskar for toppers

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (SSM) - **The Karnataka State Government SC/ST Employees Association, Mysuru branch,** has invited applications from meritorious students who have scored over 80 percent marks in SSLC and PUC exam (2021-22) for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar.

Eligible students must submit applications along with copies of marks card, caste certificate, Aadhaar card and passport size photo at the Association Office in Manasinagar before 5 pm on Aug. 31. For details, call Association District President Dr. K. Siddaraju on Mob: 90368-25431 or General Secretary P. Raghavendra on Mob: 97419-62104.

Sir M. Vishweshwaraiah Plumbing and Sanitary Labours Welfare Union, Mysuru, too will be presenting Pratibha Puraskar for the meritorious children of the Union members who have scored highest marks in SSLC and PUC exams (2021-22). Eligible students may submit their applications at the Union Office on Panchamantra Road, Kuvempunagar in city before Aug. 31 along with copies of marks card and Union membership ID card of parents. For details, contact Mob: 90083-27783 or 98453-14077.

Entrance test for admission to 8th std. at Military School

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (SSM) - University of Mysore (UoM) and the Department of Sainik Welfare and Resettlement have invited applications from eligible students for admission to eighth standard at the Rashtriya Indian Military College (RIMC), a military school for boys and girls in Doon Valley, Dehradun, for the academic year 2022, through an entrance test. Application forms can be obtained from the Department Office located in Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Bhavan, No.58, Field Marshal Cariappa Road, Bengaluru-25. The filled in forms along with copies of Birth Certificate in English from the Mysuru City Corporation, caste certificate in English (SC or ST), 7th std. marks card along with respective Principal's signature, passport size photos, admit card, passport size photos and a Rs. 42 Postal stamp envelope writing complete address (To post the application and documents to be submitted to the Military School) should be submitted at the Department Office before Oct. 15. For details, call Ph: 080-25589459.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Consider sitting for meditation or engaging in a conversation with another. Such an event in which you agree to engage with another becomes an event of spiritual transaction, when it is free from all biases. Every one of you can assess spiritual transaction across the world as it doesn't matter in reality whether your assessment mirrors the world inside you or the world outside. Because, whichever be the world engaging or attracting your attention, at the existential level of consciousness, separation between different worlds is impossible, however, division between them is possible. And, division is always within the realm of perception, it is never real. And the reality is never the perception. But in the world of intellect, perception is often projected as the reality. And that's how we come across many perceptions of reality.

Only spiritual wisdom can differentiate between reality and perceptions of reality. Therefore, if the volume of spiritual transaction goes up on our planet, it will definitely help us to see for ourselves the real face of divisive forces and separatist tendencies, irrespective of their locations. Human beings have an innate tendency to choose free and fair verdicts. And asserting oneness over divisiveness and separatism, is a free and fair verdict pronounced by our collective wisdom. That's how wisdom is attracted. And involving ourselves in spiritual transactions becomes a spectacle of manifesting the values of freedom and fairness. Most people are impressed/influenced/attracted by perception. That's what causes erosion of values because perception veils reality. The values are not the attributes of the perception. Perception keeps changing, values don't. — *Nandkishore Tiwari in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Europe's longest ice road has weird speed limit

Estonia: The longest official ice road at Estonia in Europe, is a 25-km-long stretch of frozen ice along the country's coast, where it's illegal to wear a seatbelt and drive at medium speed.

The longest ice road in Europe, is a frozen stretch of the Baltic Sea connecting the Estonian coastline to the island of Hiiumaa. Driving on this particular ice road in winter is said to be an "unforgettable experience," but if you plan on adding it to your bucket list, you should know it has some rather unconventional driving rules. You can't drive here after sunset and wearing a seatbelt is illegal and the driving speed is between 25 and 40km/h (16-25mph).

First of all, you have to drive under 25kph, or over 40kph, as driving at speeds within that range for too long can allegedly crack the ice. The tires and the motion of the car apparently create vibrations and carrying on for too long cracks the ice and send drivers to a watery grave.

Animal-inspired mechanical transformers

Tokyo: Yuki Tsuboshima, a metalworking artist from Japan, specializes in ingeniously-designed, mechanical sculptures that turn into different shapes, like little Transformers.

As a child, Yuki Tsuboshima was fascinated by puzzle-like toys with movable parts and intricate mechanisms, and he never really outgrew this passion. He majored in metalworking, specializing in uchidashi, a traditional Japanese metalworking technique used to manipulate metals like copper, brass and silver.

He then completed a master's course in industrial design at Musashino Art University Graduate School in Tokyo, where he learned to use software like 3DCAD to create all sorts of shapes and mechanical parts.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Do you know?

The Ear Drum, Middle ear and the small bone needed for hearing and the inner ear are adult size at birth itself.

By Dr. Dathathri H. A. - ENT, Head and Neck Surgeon & Cochlear Implant Surgeon
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Kannada Monodrama 'Ile-Male' by Dr. Kripa Phadke on Aug. 13, 14

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (SSM)- City-based Nrityagiri Performing Arts and Research Centre will present a Kannada Monodrama 'Ile - Male' to be enacted by Centre Director Dr. Kripa Phadke at Ganabharathi auditorium in Kuvempunagar on Aug. 13 and 14 to mark its Silver Jubilee celebrations and also 75 years of Indian Independence.

There will be two shows each on both days. The first show will be at 6.30 pm and the second is scheduled at 7.30 pm.

The show is directed by Na. Srinivas and scripted by Prof. M.S. Venugopal. The music composition of the play is directed by Prabhurao with Mruthyunjaya Hiremath and Ramesh Dhanur on tabla.

Special musical effects on Didgeridoo (a wind instrument) by Megha. Lighting effects are composed by Geetanjali Achar while the Stage designs are by H.K. Vishwanath.

Pre/post-matric Scholarship for minority students

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (SSM) - District Minority Welfare Department, Mysuru, has invited applications from eligible minority community students (Muslims, Sikhs, Christians, Jains, Buddhists and Parsis) to avail pre-matric/post-matric and merit-cum-means scholarship for the year 2022-23.

Interested students must apply online through National Scholarship Portal (NSP) *http://scholarships.gov.in* or *https://dom.karnataka.gov.in.* The last date to apply for pre-matric scholarship is before Sept. 30 while to avail post-matric and merit-cum-means scholarship is before Oct. 31.

For details, call the following Taluk Information Centres: Mysuru on Mob: 89510-87207, T. Narasipur on Mob: 98452-10242, Nanjangud on Mob: 97435-67567, H.D. Kote on Mob: 96631-57476, K.R. Nagar on Mob: 99863-46893, Hunsur on Mob: 96207-50935 and Periyapatna on Mob: 88613-56751, during office-hours or visit Office of District Officer of Minority Welfare Department, Moulana Azad Bhavan, CA No. 1, Bengaluru-Mysuru Road in city or may also call the Department Helpline No: 82777-99990.

REALLY...?

- ***The first ancient Olympic Games took place almost 2,800 years ago in the town of Olympia.***
- ***They were the oldest, and largest, of the four PanHellenic Games — four separate sports festivals held in ancient Greece.***
- ***The Olympics became an integral part of ancient Greek society. Every four years from 776BC to 393AD, thousands of people from all over the Greek world congregated for the competition.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

My sweet girlfriend had the habit of biting her fingernails. She started doing YOGA to treat the problem. Soon her finger-nails started growing normally. Seeing this, I asked if yoga had totally cured her problem. *"No," she replied with a funny sweet smile, "but now I can reach my toe-nails so I bite them instead!"*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 79.50
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 95.97
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 21.64
1 Euro	= Rs. 81.15

VOICE OF THE READER

More on woes of train travellers

Sir,

I fully endorse the views of C.M. Rajendra in *SOM* dated Aug.3 on abnormal shunting of trains on the outskirts.

Most passengers have experienced this not only on the ones entering Mysuru city but on the return direction too (Kengeri, Nayandahalli and at a little distance before KSR Bengaluru).

Chamundi Express (morning) and Mayiladuthurai Express (evening) face the same fate always. Passengers are therefore forced to de-board at these en-route stations to get into metro service to save on time.

I appeal to SWR authorities to look into this anomaly and set it right soon.

—N. Devarajan
Nanjangud
4.8.2022

Agri Department introduces 'Krishi Sanjeevini' vehicles

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (MK&DM)- In yet another initiative for the benefit of farmers, the Agriculture Department has introduced 'Krishi Sanjeevini' vehicles, a mobile facility for testing soil, water and crop samples.

The initiative that has been launched with the concept of 'Lab to Land,' is becoming a boon for the farming community. Mysuru district has now got 7 new 'Sanjeevini Vehicles' in addition to the one at present. Apart from testing soil, water, crop and other agricultural inputs, the vehicles provides plenty of information regarding weather conditions, rains, drought, attack by insects and pests, plant diseases, soil fertility, soil contents and the like.

Farmers can call **toll-free Helpline No. 155313,** which will go to the Office of the Joint Director of Agriculture. The farmers will be suitably advised on their problems and will also get complete information on agricultural inputs and implements. This 'Krishi Sanjeevini' Helpline will function just as the Health Department's Helpline and ambulance service.

Each 'Krishi Sanjeevini' vehicle will have a driver and a qualified agricultural technician, with back-up support from members of the Association of Agricultural Technologists. The Association has 300 members and 12 Executive members, who visit farmlands in all taluks once in 15 days to assess farming practices and agricultural output, according to G.H. Yogesh, Deputy Director of the District Agricultural Training Centre.

Joint Director of Agriculture Dr. B.S. Chandrashekar said that the district has got 7 new Krishi Sanjeevini vehicles, which will be fitted with Lab equipment in due course. Pointing out that these vehicles till now were being used for inspection of crops damaged by floods and assessment of crop loss, he said that these vehicles will be utilised for soil fertility, crop testing and such other purposes. Also, the farmers will be educated on increasing crop output and cutting down on costs.

Dr. Chandrashekar further said that there are a total of 164 Krishi Sanjeevini vehicles in the State and Mysuru has got 8, including the one which was there earlier. Noting that one vehicle will be assigned to each of the 8 taluks in district, he said that these vehicles will travel to farmlands and give on the spot suggestions and necessary tips to farmers on boosting farm output.

Obituary

M. Puttaswamy

Mysuru, Aug. 10- M. Puttaswamy (70), retired Railway Workshop employee and a resident of 18th Cross in Aravindanagar, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife Kalavathi, one son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

Road Race for School students

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (SSM)- As part of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav* and National Sports Day celebrations, Palace Sports Club, Mysuru, has organised a district-level road race competition for Higher Primary and High School boys and girls at Ramakrishnanagar Circle in city on Aug. 21 at 7.30 am.

It will be a 2-km race for Higher Primary School boys and girls and 4-km race for High School boys and girls. Certificates and cash prizes will be given for first three winners in all categories. The next seven winners will be given medals and certificates.

The last date for registration is Aug. 18. For details, contact Prakash on Mob: 94483-06311 or K.V. Raghavendra on Mob: 91649-97757 or S. Shivakumar on Mob: 80731-39844.

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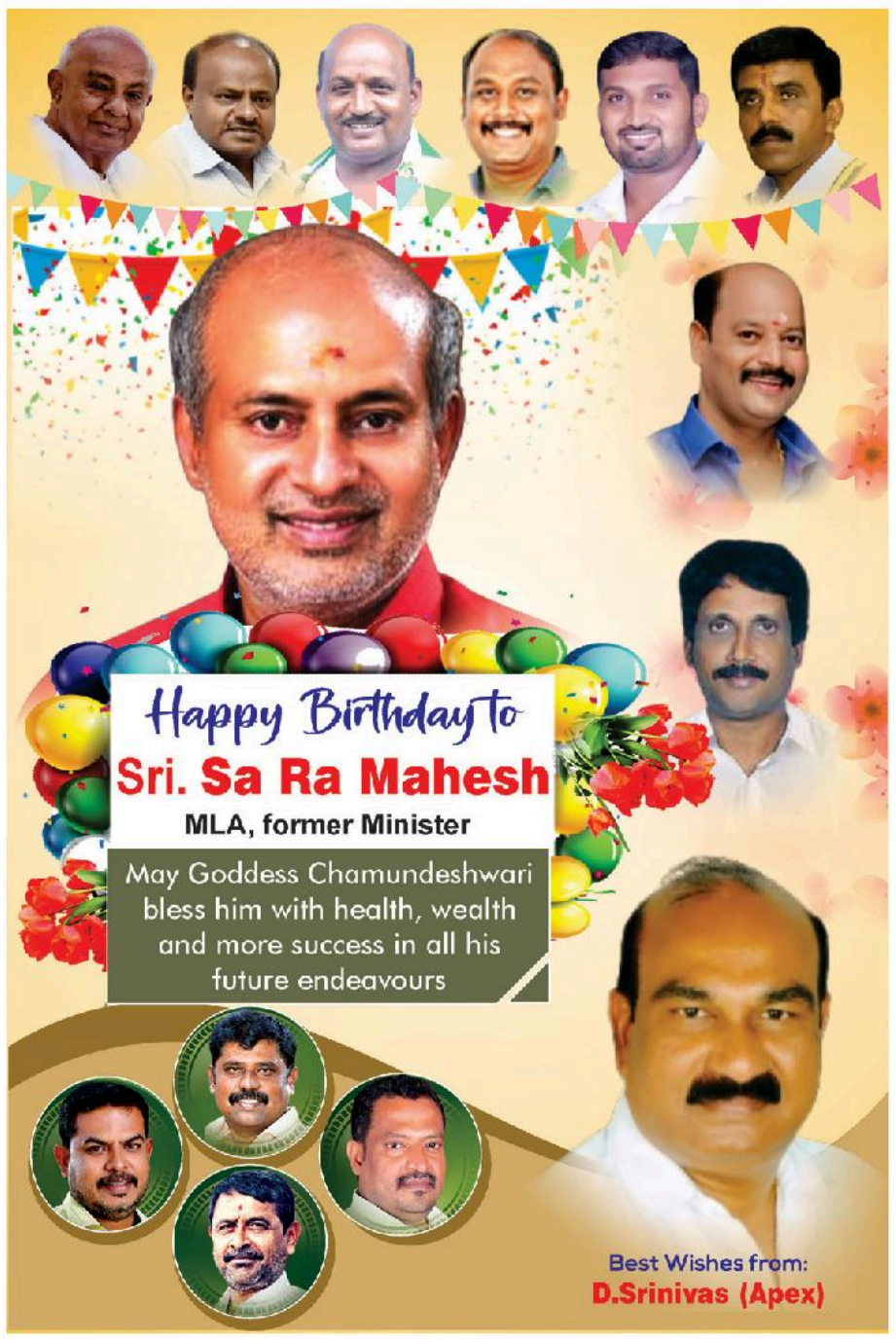
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MLA, former Minister
May Goddess Chamundeshwari bless him with health, wealth and more success in all his future endeavours
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D.Srinivas (Apex)

NEWS BRIEFS

D.El.Ed admissions

The District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) has invited applications for admission to Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed) course, formerly TCH Primary School Teachers training for the year 2022-23. Applicants belonging to general category should have scored 50 percent marks in II PUC exams while SC/ST students must have scored 45 percent marks. There will be no admission fee for SC/ST candidates while the general category students must pay an annual fee of Rs. 3,015 for the course. Minority community students and children of labourers will get a student scholarship of Rs. 25,000. For details, contact Pre-Service Teacher Education (PSTE) Nodal Officer D.R. Amith on Mob: 89712-65899 or 95355-65579 or 99355-65579, according to a press release from DIET Principal and Deputy Director.

Ph.D awardees

C. Chandrakala has been awarded Ph.D in Hindi by the University of Mysore (UoM) for her thesis 'Krishna Aganihotri Ke Upanayason Ka Samajshastriya Adhyayan' [Guide Dr. Namadev M. Gouda].

T.M. Vishakantanayaka has been awarded Ph.D in Anthropology by the UoM for his thesis 'Poverty and Livelihood Problems among the Iruliga Tribal Population in Ramanagara District, Karnataka' [Guide Dr. M.R. Gangadhar].

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	122.48 feet
Yesterday	:	122.42 feet
Inflow	:	97,623 cusecs
Outflow	:	96,494 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,281.84 feet
Inflow	:	38,236 cusecs
Outflow	:	42,938 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,854.13 feet
Inflow	:	3,860 cusecs
Outflow	:	8,100 cusecs

Status of 10-lane Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway

Six more months to prevent floodwater flow above road

Bengaluru, Aug. 10 (KMS& BCT)- The recent rain and the lake breach along the work-in-progress 10-lane Mysuru-Bengaluru Economic Corridor (Expressway) has made the authorities realise that there is still plenty of work to be done on the road front to control the flow of water.

The authorities have conceded that it will take a minimum of six months to complete the road and to be opened for traffic. This being the case, the ambitious Rs. 8,172 crore Economic Corridor will surely miss the Dasara deadline. A fresh deadline of December this year or January 2023 has been set now.

The total length of the Expressway is around 117 kms and it is being executed under two packages — the first one runs from Bengaluru to Nidaghatta in Maddur taluk and the second one from Nidaghatta to Mysuru.

The first stretch from Bengaluru to Nidaghatta (54 km) will be opened for traffic by October this year.

Incessant rains have delayed the project and the contractors are unable to complete the works. Officials said that on Aug. 15, the road between Christ College on the outskirts of Bengaluru and Nidaghatta will be opened for traffic on one side.

This is only to facilitate the movement of the Independence Day procession that is being planned by the project contractors and also associations and organisations. The work on service roads by the side of the Expressway between Bengaluru and Nidaghatta will be completed in two months.

Project Director B.T. Sridhar of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has written to the State Government expressing his inability to complete the project by this Dasara. He has sought four to five months to complete the project and has mentioned in his letter that the contractor has been asked to speed up the pending works.

Sridhar has mentioned that land acquisition has to be done at a couple of places for the rainwater to flow smoothly so that it does not cover the road. Once the land is acquired, it will be ensured that water flows down the Highway without any obstruction. These works will be designed in such a way that the water does not enter the Highway, its service roads and tunnels, Sridhar stated.

A team from New Delhi will inspect the Expressway to certify its safety and suggest corrective measures. The corridor has nine major bridges, 44 minor bridges and four rail overbridges. While the works on the bypasses are almost over, works are on to complete the flyovers, he stated.

Lecturer ends life on her birthday

In death note, she has asked her younger sister not to work as a lecturer at any cost

Chamarajanagar, Aug. 10- A 26-year-old lecturer, working at a private First Grade College in the town, committed suicide by hanging self at the hostel room on her birthday yesterday, leaving behind a death note.

Chandana

The deceased is Chandana, daughter of Mahadevaswamy, a resident of Ambale village in Yalandur taluk. As Chandana was working in the town, she was staying in the College hostel.

Yesterday being her birthday, her friends and students greeted her in the morning and when her room-mates left, Chandana reportedly hanged herself to the ceiling fan in the room at about 10.30 am.

Chandana's father Mahadevaswamy had prepared to celebrate her birthday. On Monday evening, Mahadevaswamy is learnt to have met Chandana, savoured chats together and asked her to come to the house on Tuesday before leaving to the village. But when he called her mobile phone on Tuesday morning, Chandana's mobile phone was switched off.

Mahadevaswamy then called the hostel's security and informed that Chandana was not receiving the phone, following which, the security guard went to Chanadana's room only to find her hanging from the ceiling fan. He immediately informed the hostel authorities, who in turn informed the Police. The Police, who rushed to the hostel room, conducted an inspection, besides registering a case.

Death note: Before ending her life, Chandana has written a death note, which stated "Why no one understands me. No one is responsible for my death. I am responsible for my death." She has also asked for forgiveness from her two elder sisters and has asked her younger sister not to work as a lecturer at any cost.

Meanwhile, shocked over the death of his daughter, Mahadevaswamy said that Chandana, apart from working as a lecturer was also taking care of the house. "She was a good girl. I wanted to take her home and celebrate her birthday in a grand manner. I had called on her mobile phone on Monday night, but her phone was switched off. I called the Warden on Tuesday morning and enquired, but the Warden called me again after an hour and informed me to come to the hostel, stating that Chandana was not keeping well. But now, this has happened," said grieving Mahadevaswamy.

Newly wed commits suicide

Nanjangud, Aug. 10- A newly wed, committed suicide at her grandfather's house in Srirampura village here yesterday. She was married three months ago.

The deceased is K.S. Varshitha (20), daughter of K.G. Somashekar, a resident of Karya village in the taluk. She was given in marriage to one Abhishek of Chamarajanagar on May 8, 2022. As it was Ashada season, she had come to her parents' house in July. Later, she is said to be staying at her grandfather Shivarajappa's house in Rampura village.

On Tuesday morning, Varshitha is said to have gone for a bath. As she did not come out after a long time, the bathroom door was broken only to find her hanging. She was immediately rushed to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru, where the doctors declared her brought dead.

The body was shifted to MMC&RI mortuary in Mysuru for post-mortem and Hullahalli Police, who have registered a case, are investigating.

Lorry Owners Federation opposes collection of toll at APMC

Mysuru, Aug.10 (RKB&TRR) Federation of Mysuru District Lorry Owners' Association has alleged that there is a new rule of toll collection in force in Mysuru APMC where as other APMC Markets of the State are not collecting any toll from lorry owners. "Because of this, lorry owners are facing serious problems," said Federation District President B. Kodandarama.

Frequent increase in fuel price, cost of tyres and insurance premium, unscientific toll collection and other problems have already affected the transport industry very badly.

"Lorry owners are in a state of losing their other assets to be in the business. Under these circumstances, Mysuru APMC is collecting toll from lorry owners," said Kodanandarama.

Pointing out that by collecting toll, Mysuru APMC has increased the miseries of lorry owners who are already facing financial problems. "Why this toll collection In Mysuru APMC when other APMCs of the State are not collecting any toll?," questioned Kodandarama.

He said that a copy of the memorandum urging for the withdrawal of the toll collection by Mysuru APMC which was submitted to the Deputy Commissioner was given to the APMC Secretary on Monday.

3-day Adivasi Nrutya Mahotsav begins

• Cultural performances at Rangayana today & tomorrow

• Tribals dances to be showcased during Dasara: MLA

Tribals performing at the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) premises yesterday during the inauguration of a three-day Adivasi Nrutya Mahotsav. Picture right shows tribals performing at Music University premises in Lakshmipuram this morning as part of the ongoing Dance Festival.

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (GA&BCT)- Adivasi Nrutya Mahotsav, a three-day tribal dance festival was inaugurated at the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) premises yesterday as part of the International Day of the World's Indigenous People.

The event is jointly organised by South Central Zone Cultural Centre, Nagpur, Ministry of Culture, Government of India, in association with the All India Folk and Tribal Art Parishat (New Delhi), Mysuru Unit, Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University, Rangayana and KSOU.

The event is also being held to mark the 75th year of Indian Independence, said the organisers. They added that the event has special significance in the light of a tribal woman Droupadi Murmu being elected as the President of India for the first time.

Eight teams comprising 15 members from different parts of the country are participating in the festival. The dancers presented eye-catching dances like the Abujhmadiya dance of Chhattisgarh tribals, Banjara dance of Maharashtra, Karma Saila dance of tribals from Madhya Pradesh and Mathuri dance of Telangana tribals. Tribals from Karnataka presented Damani Siddi dance, Jenukuruba dance and Dollu Kunitha.

Inaugurating the dance festival, MLA L. Nagendra said that this Dasara will see the performance of different dances of tribals from across the country. Appreciating the close-to-nature lifestyle of the tribals, he said that tribals live healthy life as they are not exposed to pollution.

Tribals have not changed their style of living and they have not adopted a city or an urban culture. The MLA said they have protected their distinct culture from the onslaught of other cultures and must be encouraged to do so.

An exhibition on tribal art was held at the Cauvery auditorium of KSOU yesterday and a seminar and workshop were held at the KSGH Music and Performing Arts University today. This evening and tomorrow, from 5.30 pm, the tribal dances will be performed at Rangayana premises.

At the KSOU event, Music University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Nagesh Bettakote, All India Folk and Tribal Art Parishat (AIFTA) National President Nirmal Vaid, AIFTA General Secretary Hassan Raghu, Mysuru Unit Organising Secretary Dr. K. Vasanth Kumar and Deepak Patel were present.

The International Day of the World's Indigenous People was also celebrated in Kodagu and Chamarajanagar. While the tribals from Chamarajanagar took out a procession, the Ashram School at Thithimathi in Kodagu celebrated the day with District Scouts and Guides.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. 23/MYS/2022
Dated: 04-08-2022

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India invites Tenders for the following works:

Sl.	Name of work	Approx. Value
1	Zonal contract for execution of works and supply of materials including supply of cement and steel for the period from 01-07-2022 to 30-06-2023 in Zone B-2 Sampige Road (Excl) - Birur (incl) Section under Assistant Divisional Engineer/Arsikere.	Rs. 1,01,25,000/-
2	Zonal contract for execution of works and supply of materials including supply of cement and steel for the period from 01-07-2022 to 30-06-2023 in Zone B-1 Birur (Excl)-Talguppa and Kadur (Excl) to Chikkamagaluru Section under Assistant Divisional Engineer/Shivamogga Town	Rs. 1,68,75,000/-
3	Zonal contract for execution of works and supply of materials including supply of cement and steel for the period from 01-07-2022 to 30-06-2023 in Zone A-6 (Hassan excl.) to-Padil (excl.) and Zone A-7 (Sakaleshpur-Subramanya road section).	Rs. 1,68,75,000/-
4	Zonal contract for execution of works and supply of materials including supply of cement and steel for the period from 01-07-2022 to 30-06-2023 in Zone A (Mysuru Heritage station and Divisional Office).	Rs. 1,01,25,000/-
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Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

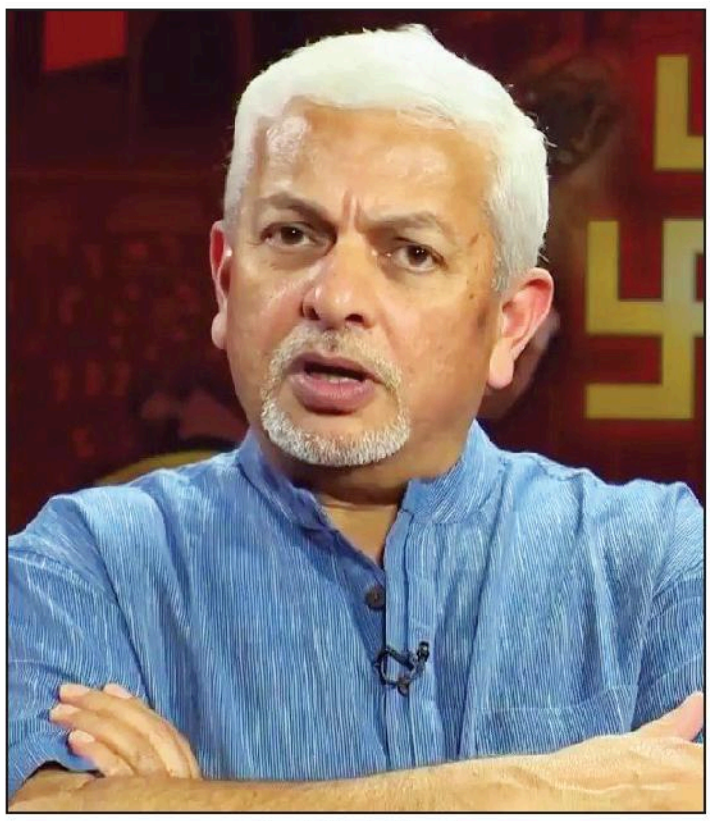
By K.B. Ganapathy

Prof. P.R. Mukund - Teacher of Vedic Sciences & Spirituality!

Hindu religion seems to be a religion for all people for all reasons and for all seasons. Some times I wonder whether it is a religion, like other religions, with a Godhead for the followers to pray. But then there are so many Godheads in Hindu religion and the follower can believe in any, make one *istadevata* out of many and pray. Sometimes I wonder if Hinduism is merely a theology rooted in Vedas and Upanishads. No wonder, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan defined Hinduism simply as a 'way of life.'

Thus it seems to me that like the language Sanskrit which is believed to be the root of all languages (specially Indian languages), Hinduism too seems to be at the root of a Hindu's lifestyle, daily ablutions, religious rituals, traditional practices in daily work-a-day life, customs at birth, marriage and death — and culture — like painting, sculpture, music, theatre, literature, myths and celebrated epics Ramayana and Mahabharata. And all these have their mother root in Vedas and Upanishads. The seed for all these manifestations is buried deep inside Vedas and Upanishads. Whenever a conducive social atmosphere pervades, a genius of a person would nurture that seed to emerge, breaking the good earth, to sprout, to grow, bear flowers, spread the fragrance and bear fruits of great variety.

So, you have many and varied Gods and Goddesses in the Hindu pantheon. You have geniuses like Valmiki (Ramayana), Vyasa (Mahabharata), Buddha, Sri Adi Shankaracharya, Ramanujacharya, Madhvacharya and any number of Saints, Savants, Monks like Basavanna and Swami Vivekananda. **Vedas and Upanishads have been their inspiration.** Their thoughts germinated on the sanctified fertile fields of Vedas and Upanishads. If only one delves deep into the study of Vedas and Upanishads and then critique all other works of philosophy, theology and epics, this truth would be known.



Prof. P.R. Mukund

And Rig Veda is said to have been composed sometime perhaps in the third millennium BC (3000 through 2001 BC). Vedas simply mean knowledge or wisdom. There are four Vedas — Rig, Yajur, Sama and Atharva. Then attached to these Vedas *(Samhitas)* there are three other kinds of texts. They are Brahmanas, Aranyakas and Upanishads.

This Vedic spark was kindled in me as I was going through a book of 128 pages titled *"The 10 Gunas"* by **Prof. P.R. Mukund from America.** He says *Gunas* means mindsets. And he says in the title itself "for *Jiva* (you), *Jivan* (life) and *Moksha* (fulfilment)." Since I do not believe in rebirth, I could not care for *Moksha* (liberation from the cycle of birth and death). For three days, the book lay in a corner of my working desk like a vagabond. Then I picked it up. Who is the author? What are his credentials to write the book on a subject that seemed esoteric to me.

He is an electronics engineer who has spent 36 years in academics and industry in America. Then his credentials are in superlatives as **'a student and teacher of Vedic Sciences and Spirituality.'** I was hoping I would learn how to mix oil with water after reading the book. So I began my journey into the book...

He talks of 10 guiding principles that changed his life and how it can transform the life of others, probably lesser human beings! Those 10 principles are *Jnana, Bhakti, Vairagya, Pragnya, Medha Shakti, Dhriti, Stithi, Yog, Prana Shakti and Bala*. Each has a chapter poorly structured and explained. Very disjointed, not cohesive. However, I agree absolutely when he writes "I can say that my success I have had is based on the firm foundation of *Jnana."*

Reading about his early days in Bengaluru with 10 siblings, it seems it was only his *Brain Bala (*strength of his brain, brain power), his excellent academic performance that took him to where he is now.

There is an institution, or call it principle of Hindu Life, of great importance. That is four principles known as *Purushartha,* **goals** of life — *Dharma, Artha, Karma* and *Moksha*. If one follows these goals at each stage of his life (of four Ashrams) one can lead a balanced, contented, happy life of fulfilment. The author Prof. Mukund seems to have reached this blessed destination, now taking to spiritual path which must take him to *Moksha*.

For a Hindu, life goes through four Ashrams or stages. They are: Brahmacharya, Grihasta, Vanaprasta and finally Sanyasa, the complete cessation of desire. Prof. Mukund seems to be getting ready for the final stage — Sanyas. If so, indeed a quantum leap towards enlightenment. Today he heads a non-profit Trust that has saved thousands of ancient manuscripts known as **Tara Prakashana** and given talks on spiritual guidance at Universities and industrial corporations. While his oratorical skill, as seen in *YouTube* is admirable, he needs to hone his writing skills. Let it be.

Though nowhere he had revealed his caste identity, from what I gleaned from the last page of the book I guessed him to be a Madhva Brahmin as he offers his 'eternal gratitude' to his Adi Guru Shri Madhvacharya and Supreme Lord Shri Krishna.

This reminded me of what I read in Vir Sanghvi's autobiography *"A Rude Life"*. At one point he writes that the owner of *'Sunday'* Magazine of Kolkata's *'Anandabazar Patrika'* Aveek Sarkar asked him to employ two criteria for recruiting sub-editors: "Look for people from Presidency College and if two candidates seem hard to choose between, always hire the Brahmin candidate."

As could be expected, Vir Sanghvi was outraged but also a little mystified by the suggestion. The narration reveals that Aveek Sarkar was neither a Brahmin nor from the Presidency College. Then why did he make those suggestions? Vir Sanghvi gets his answer. Aveek says, "... if two candidates are equal in all other respects, the Bengali Brahmin is more likely to have come from a family background where they read books." What about the choice of Presidency College? Aveek says, "Oh, because they are better at writing."

No wonder Prof. P.R. Mukund made it to the top in America and in life.

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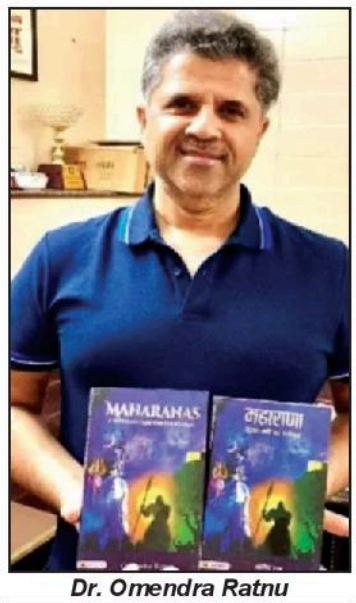
Book launch; Meet & Greet the Author



Dr. Omendra Ratnu

Mysuru, Aug. 10- A programme has been organised at Roopa Elite in V.V. Mohalla on Aug. 13 between 5.30 pm and 7.30 pm for the launch of book *'Maharanas - A Thousand Year War for Dharma,'* authored by Dr. Omendra Ratnu.

About the author: A staunch Sanathini, Dr. Omendra Ratnu is an ENT specialist by profession. His core competencies include Bhagavadgita Adhyayan, Rescue and Rehabilitation of Hindus from Pakistan, Halal Economy and its repercussions to name a few.

Prof. Shivaram Malavalli, an alumnus of IIT, a mentor, motivational speaker and an expertise in leadership in entrepreneurship, Sukumar Rangachar, IIT and IIMB alumnus, presently working as business mentor at IIMB and Dr. Bapat, Vibagh Sanghachalak of RSS and a leading Paediatrician in Mysuru region, will be the chief guests during the book launch.

Book launch will follow interaction with the author.

Power disruption

Mysuru, Aug. 10- Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow (Aug.11) between 10 am and 6 pm in the following areas:

Mahadevapura, Shivapura, Ramabainagar, Parasayyanahundi, Srirampura 2nd Stage, Goruru, Muniswamynagar, Halli Srirampura and surrounding areas, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer, CESC, V.V. Mohalla.

Talk on Theatre

Mysuru, Aug. 10- "Understanding Gerontology Through Theatre", a Talk and Dramatisation by Dr. R. Purnima, formerly Professor of English, KSOU, and presently, Director, Children's Literary Club, Mysuru, will be held tomorrow (Aug.11) at 5.15 pm at Sri Sathya Sai Baba Pre-University College, Jayalakshmipuram.

Dasara elephants march from Aranya Bhavan to Palace

Howdah elephant Abhimanyu's grand salute after entering Mysore Palace. [Pic. by M.N. Lakshminarayana Yadav]

Passers-by clicking photos of the jumbo march near Ballal Circle.

The Forest Department officials and staff seen with nine Dasara elephants and their care-takers at Aranya Bhavan in Ashokapuram this morning from where the elephants marched to the Mysore Palace.

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Tourists elated: Seeing the elephants, many tourists including a couple of them from abroad, who had come to the Palace, gathered at the venue and clicked photos and selfies. One more puja was performed inside the Palace welcoming the jumbo team as the elephants now officially came under the Palace administration.

As a tradition, the District Administration offered *Phala-Thamboola* to the Forest Department staff and urged them to make the Dasara a grand success. Ration and essential kits were provided to the Mahouts, Kavadis and their families as they will be staying in the Palace premises in makeshift tents and training elephants for the *Jumboo Savari*. The team was treated to a sumptuous breakfast at the Kodi Someshwara Temple premises.

The first batch of nine elephants comprises 57-year-old Abhimanyu, 22-year-old Bheema, 39-year-old Gopalaswamy and 39-year-old Mahendra from Mathigodu Elephant Camp, 63-year-old Arjuna from Balle Elephant Camp, 44-year-old Dhananjaya and 45-year-old Kaveri from Dubare Elephant Camp, 49-year-old Chaitra and 21-year-old Lakshmi from Rampura Elephant Camp.

From today, the elephant section of the Palace will have CCTV surveillance with constant monitoring of the jumbo health by the forest staff and vets and provision of a special diet.

Rs. 15 crore in hand: Later speaking to reporters, Minister Somashekar said that the Mysore Palace Board will spend Rs. 5 crore, which will take care of all expenditure inside the Palace including the Flower Show and the cultural programmes. The State has released Rs. 10 crore through MUDA for other expenditures for the festival, he added.

Dasara Expo: Replying to a question raised by media persons, the Minister said that this year, Dasara Exhibition will begin a fortnight before the formal Dasara inauguration. When told that every year such a promise is made but never implemented, Somashekar said, "This year, we are seriously thinking of starting the Expo 15 days before Dasara. We also have plans to make Palace Flower Show a grand affair."

MP Pratap Simha, MLAs S.A. Ramdas, L. Nagendra, In-charge Mayor Sunanda Palanetra, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Bagadi Gautham, ADC Dr. B.S. Manjunathaswamy, ZP CEO B.R. Poornima, MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy, MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dinesh Kumar, Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Jagath Ram, Conservator of Forests Dr. Malathi Priya, DCF (Wildlife) Dr. V. Karikalan, DCF (Territorial) K. Kamala Karikalan and others were present.

CM to open new buildings in UoM campus tomorrow

(Continued from page 1)

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will also declare open the 'Yuvajana Mahotsava' (Youth Festival) tomorrow at Maharaja's College Grounds, organised as part of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*, marking the 75th Independence Day celebrations.

He is scheduled to visit the University's School of Engineering — named 'Technology Bhavan' — and the Department of Computer Science to inaugurate the new building and facilities.

Addressing a press conference at Crawford Hall in city yesterday, UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar said that Higher Education Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan, Mysuru District Minister S.T. Somashekar and Kannada actor Yash will be the chief guests and over 25,000 students, teachers, non-teaching staff and the general public will take part in the event.

The 'Yuvajana Mahotsava' will be followed by a musical programme by music director and composer Arjun Janya followed by a host of cultural programmes.

The CM will also formally launch engineering courses, hostel of School of Engineering, Pharmacy College building, Golden Jubilee building of Department of Journalism and Mass Communication and extended first-floor building of Geography and Earth Sciences Departments.

He will open the renovated hall of the Computer Science Department, Centre of Excellence - SAP, IBM and Sri Basaveshwara Study, Research and Extension Centre's building. Besides, he will release 'Grantha Nidhi' and the eighth and ninth volumes of 'Vishwakosha' brought out by the Archaeology Research and Mythic Society, the VC added.

The VC said the Mythic Society has joined hands with the University for restoring manuscripts at the Oriental Research Institute and Rs. 1 crore is being spent on the ongoing digitising of manuscripts.

Postal services hit as employees stage stir seeking fulfilment of demands

Mysuru, Aug. 10 (PM&DM)- Strongly opposing the Centre's move to corporatise the Postal Department, Postal employees, under the banner of All India Postal Employees Union (AIPEU) staged a day-long stir today in city, in response to an All India Postal strike call.

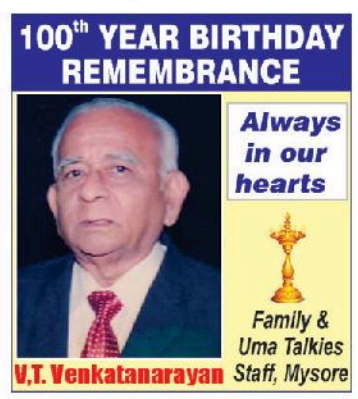
The striking employees staged a demonstration in front of the Head Post Office at Nehru Circle on Ashoka Road for some time, seeking fulfilment of their 20-point charter of demands.

As a result of the strike, Postal services in the city and district was largely affected as a majority of Postal workers stayed away from work.

Accusing the Government of attempting to corporatise the Postal Department in the form of Dak Mitra Scheme and Common Service Centre, the striking employees urged the Centre to stop migration of Post Office Savings Bank (POSB) into India Post Payments Bank

(IPPB), withdraw Road Transport Network (RTN), stop Nodal Delivery Centres of Parcels and Central Delivery Centres of Speed Post Letters, Scrapping of National Pension System (NPS) and restoration of Old Pension System (OPS), filling up of vacant posts in all cadres, regularisation of all casual/part-time/full time casual labourers and introduction of five-day week in Postal, Railway Mail Service (RMS) and Mail Motor Service (MMS) offices, among others.

AIPUE Mysuru district office-bearers N. Vanajaksha, N. Krishna, Kendagannaiah, H.G. Raju, R. Prashanth, M.N. Giridhar, C.R. Rangaswamy and others took part.



Exclusive interview

Writing a new story in premium *Pen* business

William Penn, India's leading brand for premium writing instruments and lifestyle accessories recently acquired Sheaffer, the 110-year-old iconic American manufacturing company of writing instruments, mainly known for their luxury fountain pens.

In 1907, Walter A. Sheaffer invented an ink-loading system for fountain pens and W.A. Sheaffer Pen Company was incorporated in the US on May 16, 1913 and grew to spread its footprint in over 75 countries. With the Sheaffer acquisition, William Penn has become a global brand.

Founder and Managing Director of William Penn **Nikhil Ranjan**, who is a Mysurean, always believed in the power of the written word. After getting a mechanical engineering degree in Mysuru, Nikhil thought out-of-the-box and founded William Penn in Bengaluru in 2002, to introduce the beauty of fine stationery. He launched a line of luxury stationery and soon, his business flourished. Today, William Penn is also credited with bringingthe fountain pen and ink back from the brink and reclaiming its rightful place in fine writing. B.C. Thimmaiah of *Star of Mysore* spoke to him about the acquisition and what it means to William Penn. —*Excerpts:*

Star of Mysore (SOM): What do you have to say about this acquisition?

Nikhil Ranjan: Well, we have been in the business for the last 20 years and until now, we have been the retailer and distributor of global brands. This is an opportunity for us to own a global brand and that's a big step for us. This allows us to design and market products across the world because Sheaffer is an iconic brand, it is a 110-year-old brand present in 75 countries. We will have a footprint in those countries and it is a huge leap.

We also believe that as a company which is home-grown, out of India and being a global brand, having the opportunity to design and market products to have an impact around the world is what excites us.

FROM LEFT: ***Nikhil with wife Simritha, parents Shashi Ranjan & Ashvini Ranjan and daughters Renaisha & Reanna.***

SOM: Many in Mysuru would not know that the William Penn brand was founded and established by a person who hails from Mysuru. Why not a store in Mysuru?

Nikhil Ranjan: In fact, we had a store in Mysuru at the Forum Mall which is now Nexus Mall and we had to shut that down during the COVID-19 pandemic, unfortunately. So, at the moment, we do not have a store in Mysuru. We have 25 stores across India all in the top Tier-I cities.

SOM: Any plans to set up a store in Mysuru, a Tier-II city?

Nikhil Ranjan: As of now, we are not planning to re-establish a store in Mysuru. Let the connectivity of the city with other cities improve, then we will see. Particularly, the Bengaluru-Mysuru connectivity must improve. Connectivity is the need of the hour. Especially in the light of what happened in a couple of days where a lake breached and a part of the Bengaluru-Mysuru Road was marooned. It was a real mess and to travel between the cities itself is a task.

SOM: Does William Penn provides everything related to writing?

Nikhil Ranjan: No, I don't think it is a right thing to say. We are a retailer of premium brands of writing instruments and accessories. It is not about all writing as all writing is a vast sphere. We specialise in premium writing.

SOM: Since you specialise in premium writing products, how do you bridge the cost gap between the premium writing instrument and customers?

Nikhil Ranjan: Yes, there are many who use premium writing instruments for their day-to-day duties. I think premiumness is always about building aspirations. You aspire to own something premium. Like you look at a car. A basic car too does the job but you still aspire to own a premium car or a luxury car. We are talking about premium prices but not luxury prices. India is definitely a market for everything — for mass, premium and for luxury.

SOM: So, this acquisition is for the premium clientele?

Nikhil Ranjan: Yes, absolutely. Sheaffer is for the premium segment. Of course, you have brands like Montblanc in the luxury segment — upward of 25,000 and Rs. 30,000. There is a market for luxury brands also, for people who aspire to own that one day. However, we are in the premium segment starting at Rs. 1,000. Now like a car, this is a writing instrument. If you are using a writing instrument, you might as well use a premium one.

Another big driver of this kind of purchase is the gifting purpose. And India has many numbers of gifting occasions. It is because of that you know, products such as writing instruments are very nice and memorable articles for gifting.

SOM: We have seen many home-grown Indian companies acquiring companies in the US and in other countries. How does it feel for a person who comes from Mysuru to own a global brand?

Nikhil Ranjan: (Laughs). As I say that this was an opportunity that presented itself. We are truly excited to make an impact around the world. We also believe that it is a big responsibility too, to sustain the legacy of such an iconic brand. It is both an opportunity and a responsibility. And we believe that we are more than capable of something like this.

I remember those days when I was starting William Penn. Our vision was to provide our customers with a world-class experience in a category, hitherto unavailable in India. Working with a formidable global player like Sheaffer was a distant dream then. Years of hard work, passion and commitment to excellence have helped us achieve many milestones during our journey. Today, it gives me immense pride to say that we are one of the key global players in the writing instrument space.

Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20 Cricket Tournament

Gulbarga Mystics win thriller against Shivamogga Strikers

Hubli Tigers defeat Bengaluru Blasters

Mysuru, Aug. 10- The Gulbarga Mystics won a closely contested game yesterday afternoon, when they defeated Shivamogga Strikers by 3 wickets at Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar Ground in city.

This was Gulbarga side's first win in the competition as even a five-wicket haul for D. Avinash wasn't enough to get the Strikers over the line.

Batting first, Shivamogga Strikers lost Stallin Hoover off the second delivery of the innings, before Rohan Kadam and Siddharth thwarted Gulbarga Mystics' attack. Both Rohan and Siddharth were watchful to start with, before picking up the pace, just after the powerplay, with the spinners being taken to the cleaners briefly.

Rohan scored 53 from 41 deliveries, smashing three boundaries and two sixes while Siddharth at the other end also added 53 from 51 balls, collecting four boundaries and a six during his stay. The duo put on a solid 108-run stand to not only steady the ship but also laid the platform for a flourish in the final overs of the innings.

However, B.R. Sharath (9), R. Smaran (3) failed to capitalise, leaving captain K. Gowtham (23) and D. Avinash (20) to do some heavy lifting, with four sixes between the two of them. For Gulbarga, C.A. Karthik picked 3 wickets as the Strikers posted 175/8.

In response, the Mystics got off to a quick start with Devdutt Padikkal holding down one end while Jeswath Acharya went on the attack. Padikkal was the first to depart for 9 in the 5th over, after which Jeswath and Rohan Patil went about building the innings. However, Jeswath could not kick on and was dismissed for 30 from 17 deliveries. Rohan Patil managed to add 28 to the cause before captain Manish Pandey and Krishnan Shrijith stitched together a 32-run stand before the latter made the walk back to the pavilion.

While Manish was around the Mystics had every chance of making the chase, but he lost another partner soon as Manoj Bhandage was sent back for 5. And a few deliveries later, Bangalore Mohith followed suit for 1, leaving the Mystics in a spot of bother.

Gulbarga Mystics' Captain Manish Pandey wielding the bat during a match against Shivamogga Strikers at SDNR Wadiyar Stadium in city yesterday.

In the 18th over, Manish completed his fifty, with the game on a knife edge. But right after, there was another a twist as Manish was dismissed for 50 from 36 deliveries. However, Ritesh Bhatkal wasn't giving in and the equation came down to 4 needed in the final over. C.A. Karthik finished off the game with a boundary, giving the Mystics a much-needed win.

Brief Scores — Shivamogga Strikers: 175/8 in 20 overs (Rohan Kadam 53, Siddharth 53, Karthik CA 3/30, V. Kaverappa 2/48) lost by 3 wickets against **Gulbarga Mystics:** 177/7 in 19.1 overs (Manish Pandey 50, Jeswath Acharya 30, D. Avinash 5/40, Rajvir Wadhwa 1/8).

Hubli Tigers defeat Bengaluru Blasters

The Hubli Tigers' captain Abhimanyu Mithun was in fine touch last evening, playing with panache, as he hammered 51*off 22 deliveries to lead his side over the line by 4 wickets against the Bengaluru Blasters, by the VJD method. Just when all seemed lost, Mithun stepped up to the plate with an innings that will be long remembered in the history of Karnataka cricket.

Put into bat first, the Bengaluru Blasters lost L.R. Chethan in the second over, before captain Mayank Agarwal took charge, along with K.V. Aneesh. The duo put on a quick 18-run stand before Aneesh departed for 14.

Mayank had Suraj Ahuja (20) for company and even though they found it tough to get the momentum going against the Hubli bowling, they put on 45 crucial runs, to give the Blasters a solid platform at the midway stage.

Mayank by now was starting to get his strokes going and it could have spelt danger for Hubli, who though pegged the Blasters back with the wicket of Aniruddha Joshi (8). Restricted by the regular fall of wickets, the captain looked to up the ante but fell for 43, just as the team's 100 was approaching. J. Suchith (12*) and Shivkumar Rakshith (15*) added a crucial 25 runs before rain forced an early close of the first innings. For the Tigers, Saurabh Srivastav picked a couple of wickets as the Blasters managed 119/5 in 16 overs.

Chasing 137 in 16 overs, the Tigers had a quiet start, much like the trend so far in the tournament, losing Luvnith Sisodia (6), Liyan Khan (6) and Tushar Singh (0) in the first three overs of the innings.

B.U. Shiva Kumar and Shishir Bhavane (16) steadied the ship over the next few overs, before the latter was dismissed looking to score quickly in the 7th over with the score on 48. Shiva Kumar was the next to depart for 30, which meant the Tigers had lost half their side. Sagar Solanki then added 13 more to the cause, keeping his side in the mix in what was turning out to be a thriller.

But that's when captain Abhimanyu Mithun got into the act and clobbered a couple of sixes in the 13th over, relieving some pressure for the Tigers. Mithun continued to hammer the bowling, as the crowds cheered on. The Tigers skipper smashed 51 off 22 deliveries, hitting five sixes and two boundaries. Mithun finished off the chase with a boundary.

Brief Scores — Bengaluru Blasters: 119/5 in 16 overs (Mayank Agarwal 43, Suraj Ahuja 20, Saurabh Srivastav 2/31) lost by 4 wickets against **Hubli Tigers:** 139/6 (Abhimanyu Mithun 51*, B.U. Shiva Kumar 30, J. Suchith 2/21).

TODAY'S MATCHES (AUGUST 10)

Mysore Warriors Vs Hubli Tigers	3.00 pm
Mangalore United Vs Shivamogga Strikers	7.00 pm

TOMORROW'S MATCHES (AUGUST 11)

Bengaluru Blasters Vs Mangalore United	3.00 pm
Mysore Warriors Vs Gulbarga Mystics	7.00 pm

Venue: SDNR Wadiyar Stadium, Mysuru

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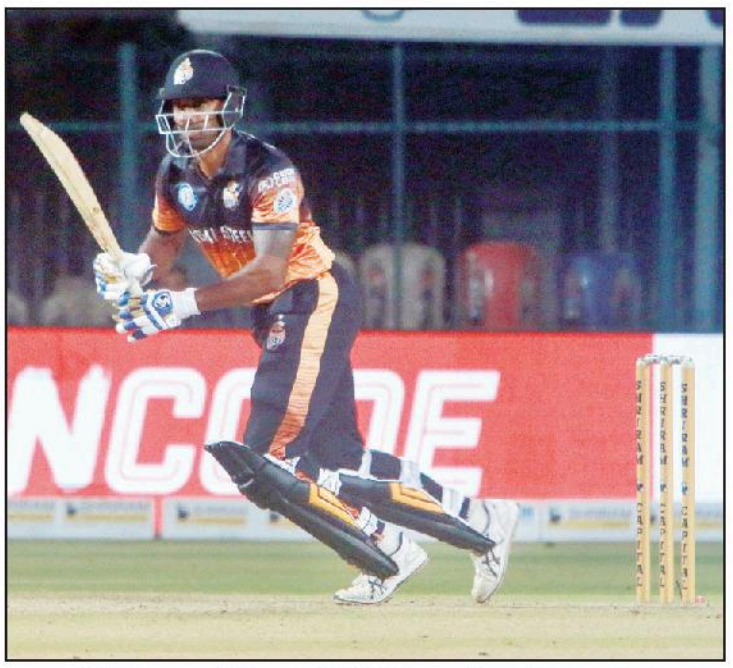

Abhimanyu Mithun of Hubli Tigers in action against Bengaluru Blasters yesterday.

Nominations declared valid for MRC elections

Mysuru, Aug. 10- The following nominations have been declared valid and each Member noted below is eligible for election as Steward/ Committee Member of Mysore Race Club (MRC) Limited at the 54th Annual General Meeting to be held on Aug. 22 at 11 am at the registered office of the Club:

Stewards: K.G. Anantharaj Urs, T.D. Mahesh, H.K. Ramesh and Y.P. Udaya Shanker.

Committee Members: Dr. A.S. Ajit Kumar Raj Urs, K.V. Parikshith and Dr. M.V. Venu, according to a press release from MRC Ltd. Secretary and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) NHS Mani.

Lions Club of Mysore West conducts charity event

Utsav-2022 showcases India's rich culture and heritage through fabrics, art and century-old traditions

Bunts Sangh team, which won the first prize, presented 'Fabrics of India.'

Lions Club of Mysore West (LCMW) recently conducted a cultural event in aid of its numerous service projects. Held at Kalamandira, ***Utsav-2022,*** a celebration of Indian culture through Indian attire showcased India's rich culture and heritage through fabrics, art and century-old traditions.

Ten participating teams comprising about 150 women, aged between 20 and 65 years, presented an impressive motley of themes such as fabrics of India, Indian classical dances, queens of India, Sindhi traditions, Kodava weddings, Indian brides balancing their professions and domestic responsibilities.

The teams representing Classical Dancers of Mysuru, Doctors at Apollo and JSS Hospitals, Inner Wheel Clubs of Mysore, Bunts Sangha, Sindhi Group, Kodavas and others, were led by P.K. Nagalakshmi, Veda Rai, Priya Kushalappa, Dr. Aathira Ravindranath, Sangeeta Satish, Suma Prakash, Dr. Rashmi, Padma Raghu, Nandini Murthy, and Miriam Cherian.

Team Bunts Sangha portraying India's rich heritage in fabrics and textiles was adjudged the winner. 'The performance was choreographed by enthusiastic team members. Preparing, planning and practicing for *Utsav* was a great bonding exercise and wonderful experience for the team,' said Veda Rai.

Team Vintage Vogue (Consultant Doctors of Apollo BGS Hospitals), the first runner-up, presented Indian art through Raja Ravi Varma's paintings. 'This competition came as a fresh breeze and a refreshing change for us doctors. We hope to participate in such events more often,' said Dr. Aathira Ravindranath (Paediatric Gastroenterologist), who choreographed the scintillating performance put up by her team.

Team Glamour & Guts (Inner Wheel Clubs), led and choreographed by Suma Prakash, exhibiting Queens of India was declared the second runner-up. '*Utsav* was a unique and well-organised event conducted by LCMW. We're delighted to be a part of this noble cause,' said Suma Prakash.

The cultural extravaganza was judged by Pooja Joshi Igoor, Rekha Rohit and Asha Prasad.

'We are humbled by the response, and indeed grateful to Mysureans for supporting our cause, and making this event a grand success,' said Nagarajan Srinivasan, President, LCMW.

The proceeds from the event would be used for various service projects of the Club such as kidney endowment fund, empowering women and girl children through education and various other activities that this organisation has been undertaking since February 8, 1981.

—Sujata Rajpal

Nagarajan Srinivasan** (second from left), **President, Lions Club of Mysore West and Mahesh Rao, Secretary, seen with Team Vintage Vogue (Consultant Doctors of Apollo BGS Hospitals), who bagged first runner-up prize.

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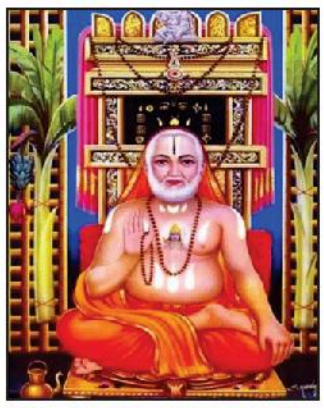
Sri Guru Raghavendraswamy's 351st Aradhana Mahotsava from Aug. 12



Mysuru, Aug. 10 (TRR& SSM)- The Nanjangud Sri Raghavendraswamy Mutt on Narayana Shastri Road near Subbarayanakere in city is celebrating the 351st Aradhana Mahotsava of Sri Guru Raghavendraswamy from Aug. 12 to 15 as follows:

Aug.12: Poorvaaradhane in the morning followed by Padapuja and Panchamruta for Utsavarayaru at 7 am; Dasavani by Nayana Nagaraj at 6 pm; Ashika and Hariharan will present Bharatanatyam at 8 pm.

Aug 13: Madhyaaradhane, Padapuja and Panchamruta for Utsavarayaru at 7 am; Dasavani by Sridhanya Gururaj at 6 pm; by Deepika Pandurangi at 8 pm.

Aug.14: Uttaraadhane, Padapuja and Panchamruta for Utsavarayaru at 7 am; At 6 pm, Sri Gururaghavendra Vaibhava Nrityaroopaka by Sri Durga Dance School and Sri Gowri Music School. At 8 pm, Dasavani by Anasuya Sudarshan.

Aug. 15: Aradhane of Sri Sugnanendra Theertha. Kumar Performing Arts Centre will present Bharatanatyam at 7 pm.

Upakarma

On Aug. 11, at 6 am, Yajurveda Nityanootana Upakarma will be held followed by Mass Satyanarayana puja at 10 am; Pournime Prarthanotsava Gopuja, Dwajarohana, Dhaanyapuja, Mahamangalarati and Swastivahana from 6 pm.

Sri Guru Raghavendra Aradhana Samithi, Somanatha Nagar, Dattagalli 3rd Stage, will also be celebrating Raghavendra Swamy Aradhana Mahotsav for the 41st year with discourses and music programmes from Aug. 12 to 14 at its premises:

Aug. 12: Sri Somanatheshwara Temple Vahanotsava at 8 am. Discourse by Sri Adya Govindacharya at 6 pm followed by Hindustani Classical music concert by Pt. Balachandra Nakoda from 6.30 pm. He will be accompanied by Pt. Veerabhadraiah Hiremath on harmonium; Pt. Rajendra Nakoda on tabla.

Aug. 13: Sri Rama Raksha Stotra and Havana at 9 am. Hindustani classical concert and Dasavani by Dr. Muddu Mohan and troupe (6.30 pm to 9.30 pm).

Aug. 14: Shat Pranava Maha Mrutyunjaya Havana at 9 am. Pt. Kumar Maradura will present Hindustani Classical music between 6.30 pm and 9.30 pm. He will be accompanied with Prabhu Rao on harmonium and Bheema Shankar Bidanur on tabla. Daily rituals include: Suprabhatha, Raghavendra Ashtakshara Japa, Homa, Abhisheka, Maha puja and Mahamangalarathi.

Sri Rama Dhama, Udayagiri, will celebrate Aradhana Mahotsava of Sri Raghavendra Swamy from Aug. 12 to 14 at its premises in city.

Aug. 12: Bhajan by Sri Vishwesha Krishna Bhajana Mandali between 5.30 pm and 7 pm; **Aug. 13:** Devotional songs by Atri Koushik and troupe from 5.30 pm to 7 pm; **Aug. 14:** 'Sri Raghavendra Vijaya' discourse by Vid. Padmanabha Varakhedi between 5.30 pm and 7 pm.

Every day seva rituals include Annadana, Hoovina Alankara, Panchamrutha, Pada puja, Kanakabhisheka, Pallakki seva, Rathotsava and Ranga puja.

Sri Raghavendra Seva Samithi, Jayalakshmipuram, will also be celebrating Sri Raghavendra Aradhana Mahotsava from Aug. 10 to Aug. 15 at its premises.

Aug. 10: Gopuja, Lakshmi puja and Dhaanya puja from 6 pm; **Aug. 12:** Classical Music concert by Vidu. Vrunda Acharya from 6.30 pm to 9 pm; **Aug. 13:** Flute recital (classical) by Vid. Mysuru A. Chandan Kumar from 6.30 pm to 9 pm; **Aug. 14:** Sri Guru Rayara Maharathothsava on main streets of Jayalakshmipuram at 10 am; Classical music concert by Vidu. N. Medha Bhat (6.30 pm - 9 pm).

Aug. 15: Dasavani by Vidu. Rakshana Ravi and Vidu. Rakshitha Ravi (6.30 pm - 9 pm).

Daily rituals are: Suprabhatha, Mahapanchamrutha abhisheka, Kanakabhisheka, Sarvaseva and Mahamangalarathi.

Sri Raghavendra Swamigala Brundhavana Trust, Abhinava Mantralaya, Krishnamurthypuram, too will hold special rituals to mark Raghavendra Swamy Aradhana Mahotsava from Aug. 12 to 14 at its premises:

Dhwaja Karya, rathotsava, sankeerthane, abhisheka, pravachana, archane and other special rituals will be held during the three-day Mahotsava.

Yajur Upakarama will be held on Aug. 11 at 6.30 am.

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Sita Ramam (Te)	(S-1)	4.20 pm
	(S-3)	10.10 am, 6.55 pm
Bullet Train (E)	(S-1)	7.25 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Paappan (Ma)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 10.00 pm
Katerri (Ta)	(S-2)	1.00 pm
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DC League of Super Pets (E)	(S-2)	1.35 pm
	(S-4)	11.45 am, 8.10 pm
Bullet Train (E)	(S-3)	10.10 am, 3.30 pm
	(S-4)	10.30 pm
Sita Ramam (Te)	(S-2)	10.15 am, 6.40 pm
Paappan (Ma)	(S-2)	10.00 pm
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Katteri (Ta)	:	1.40 pm
Paappan (Ma)	:	9.45 pm

Natya Sabha hosts Odissi performance

Natya Sabha had organised Odissi dance by Nritya Guru Sindhu Kiran and her troupe at Ganabharathi in Kuvempunagar recently. Dancers who performed along with the Guru are Saamadev Moola, Dr. Tarana, Harsha Pavitran, Vinay Narahari and Prithe Havalar.

EVENTS TODAY (AUGUST 10)

- **South Central Zone Cultural Centre, Nagpur, Ministry of Culture, Government of India and All India Folk and Tribal Art Parishat (New Delhi), Mysuru Unit, KSOU, Rangayana, Mysuru and KSGH Music University:** Adivasi Nrutya Mahotsav, performances, Rangayana Mysuru Director Addanda C. Cariappa inaugurates, ADC Dr. Manjunathaswamy presides, Rangayana premises, **5.30 pm.**
- **Samskruta Bharati - Vid. T. Narayana Shastry Pratishtanam:** Samskruta Saptaha-2022, discourse on 'Brahmavadiniyaru' by Soudamini, Vishwam auditorium, #435, 8th Main Road, Saraswathipuram, **5.50 pm.** [Mob: 94484-42763]
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Shravanamasa Rituals and 'Samskrutha Darshana' Discourse Programme, mass prayers, **6 pm;** Discourse by Dr. B.V. Vasantha Kumar on Karnataka Culture, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetha:** Guru Purnima, Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha rituals by Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji, special programmes, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, **7 pm.** [Ph: 0821-2486486]
- **Dhwaja Satyagraha Samiti, Mysuru City:** Staging of play 'Olashunti,' Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUGUST 11)

- **Nanjangud Sri Raghavendraswamy Mutt:** Sri Raghavendratheertha Gurusarvabhouma's 351st Aradhana Mahotsava, Yajur Nityanutana Upakarma, **6 am;** Mass Satyanarayana Puja, **10 am;** Prarthanotsava, Gopuje, Dhwajarohana, Dhanyapuje, Mahamangalarati and Swastivachana, Mutt premises, Subbarayanakere, Narayana Shastri Road, **6 pm.**
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- **Sri Ramachandrapura Mutt, Mysuru:** Free Mass Yajur Upakarma, Sai Saraswati Vidyakendra premises, Bogadi, **8 am.** [Mob: 99162-21184]
- **Government of Karnataka and University of Mysore (UoM):** Yuvajana Mahotsav as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav and inauguration of UoM's Engineering College and various development programme, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai inaugurates, Higher Education Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathanarayana chief guest, District Minister S.T. Somashekar and film star 'Rocking Star' Yash guests of honour, UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar presides, Maharaja's College Grounds, **11 am.**
- **Shivananda Jnanalaya:** 300th Free Scientific Pranayama Camp, Yogacharya Dr. Devaki Madhav's dedication to Amrut Mahotsav celebration of Independence Day, Shivananda Jnanalaya, **5 pm to 7 pm.** [Mob: 90362-45086 or 90196-62834]
- **South Central Zone Cultural Centre, Nagpur, Ministry of Culture, Government of India and All India Folk and Tribal Art Parishat (New Delhi), Mysuru Unit, KSOU, Rangayana, Mysuru and KSGH Music University:** Valedictory of Adivasi Nrutya Mahotsav, former MLC Siddaraju inaugurates, All India Folk and Tribal Art Parishat (New Delhi) National President Nirmal Vaidya presides, Rangayana premises, **5.30 pm.**
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- **Sri Suttur Mutt, Mysuru Branch:** Moonlight Music, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Vocal Concert by Vidu. Shruti S. Bhat, accompanied by Vidu. Prithvi Bhaskar on violin, Vid. K.V. Ravishankar Sharma on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Jnanayogananda-ji speaks on 'Adhyatma Ramayana,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
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